



Foreign Claims Settlement Commission (FCSC)

FY 2014 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2012 Enacted:	\$2.0 million (11 positions; 4 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$218,000
Program Changes:	+\$0
FY 2014 Budget Request:	\$2.2 million (11 positions; 4 attorneys)
Change From FY 2012 Enacted:	+\$218,000 (+10.9%)

Mission:

The principal mission of the FCSC is to adjudicate claims of U.S. nationals against foreign governments, exercising jurisdiction conferred by the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, and other authorizing legislation.

Organization:

The FCSC consists of a Chairman and two part-time Commissioners who are all appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

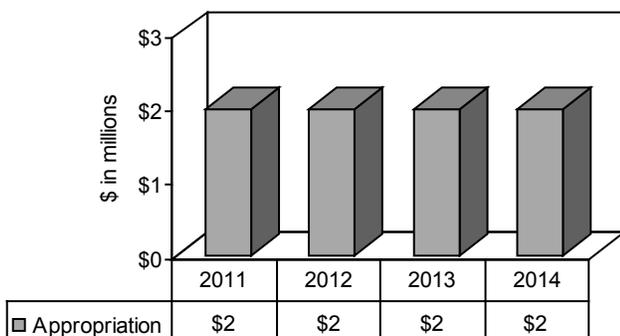
Resources:

The FY 2014 budget request for FCSC totals \$2.2 million, which is a 10.9% increase over FY 2012 Enacted.

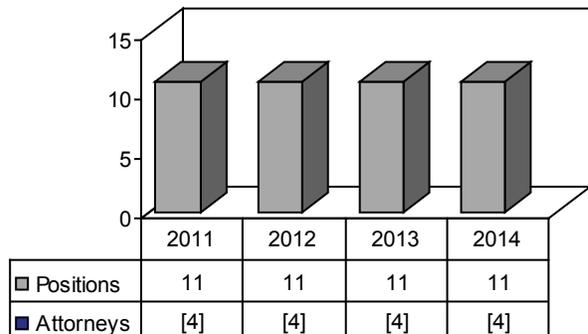
Personnel:

The FCSC's direct positions for FY 2014 total 11 positions and is the same as FY 2012 Enacted.

Funding (FY 2011 - 2014)



Personnel (FY 2011 - 2014)



FY 2014 Strategy:

In FY 2014, the Commission plans to conclude its administration of the Libya Claims Program that resulted from the President's Executive Order 13477 dated October 31, 2008, implementing the U.S-Libya Claims Settlement Agreement of August 14, 2008, as well as the Libyan Claims Resolution Act (LCRA), passed by Congress and signed into law on August 4, 2008. Pursuant to this Agreement and the LCRA, the government of Libya paid \$1.5 billion to the United States to provide compensation to U.S. nationals with terrorism-related claims against Libya.

On June 21, 2011, the US Department of State issued a press release announcing a settlement with the Government of Iraq in the amount of \$400 million to provide compensation for American nationals who were prisoners of war, hostages, or human shields during the first Gulf War, and for U.S. servicemen who were injured in the 1987 attack on the USS Stark. On November 14, 2012, pursuant to its authority under 22 U.S.C. 1623 (a)(1)(c), the Department of State referred a category of claims within the scope of the Claims Settlement Agreement to the Commission for adjudication and certification. Further, the Commission anticipates the receipt of an additional referral from the Department of State under the same Claims Settlement Agreement for adjudication by the Commission during FY 2014.

The Commission will maintain authority under the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, and the 1995 United States-Albania claims settlement agreement to make awards in any additional claims against Albania that are filed. In addition, the Commission will continue to reopen and reconsider claims that it had previously denied, taking into account the modification of the Albanian claims settlement agreement effected in 2006.

The Commission will also continue to: research and respond to requests for information concerning properties expropriated by the Castro regime in Cuba; and engage in preliminary planning for a possible future program involving claims against Iraq and a Guam Claims Program. Depending on the movement of events internationally, other, similar programs can be anticipated. Additionally, the Commission will award compensation, under the War Claims Act of 1948, as amended, to any previously uncompensated American servicemen, or their families, held as prisoners of war during the Vietnam conflict.

FY 2014 Program Changes:

There are no program changes for FCSC.

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Foreign Claims Settlement Commission		
	Pos	FTE**	Amount
2012 Enacted	11	9	2,000
2013 Continuing Resolution*	11	9	2,012
2014 Request	11	9	2,218
Change 2014 from 2012 Enacted	0	0	218
Technical Adjustments			
Adjustment - 2013 CR 0.612%	0	0	-12
Total Technical Adjustments	0	0	-12
Base Adjustments			
Pay & Benefits	0	0	30
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	28
Other Adjustments	0	0	160
Total Base Adjustments	0	0	218
2014 Current Services	11	9	2,218
Program Changes			
Program Increases	0	0	0
Program Decreases	0	0	0
Total Program Changes	0	0	0
2014 Request	11	9	2,218

* The 2013 Continuing Resolution includes the 0.612% funding above current rate, provided by P.L. 112-175, sec. 101 (c).

** The FTE for FY 2012 is actual and for FY 2013 and FY 2014 are estimates.

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Comparison by activity and program	2012 Enacted			2014 Current Services		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Foreign Claims	11	9	2,000	11	9	2,218
Total	11	9	2,000	11	9	2,218
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	11	9	2,000	11	9	2,218

Comparison by activity and program	2014 Total Program Changes			2014 Request		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Foreign Claims	0	0	0	11	9	2,218
Total	0	0	0	11	9	2,218
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	0	0	0	11	9	2,218